

Remarks

Entry of the Amendment After Final Rejection is requested to show continuity of the claim amendments and to continue the arguments of that amendment. This amendment further amends the independent claims by deleting “about” before the 4 percent of the 4 percent to about 4.5 percent by weight limitation of those claims, and by adding four dependent claims, each dependent on different ones of the four independent claims, in which the color pigment is limited to magenta pigment or yellow pigment.

The claims narrow the claimed range so that the rationale for citing the two publications as anticipation is negated. Those publications are not references with respect to obviousness as they were commonly owned, as is believed acknowledged in the prior rejection. The rationale for applying the Akers, Jr. et al. patent is similarly overcome.

Dependent claims are now presented limiting the color pigment to magenta or yellow. However, the pigments described and claimed from the original filing have the common characteristic of having aromatic rings, and so this logically should extend to cyan pigments, regardless of the fact that the cyan specific embodiment has somewhat less than 4.5 percent by weight. Accordingly, reconsideration of the independent claims not being supported with respect to the 4.5 percent limitation is respectfully requested.

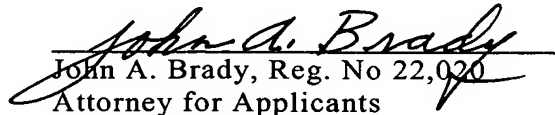
A characteristic of this invention is to use a greater amount of pigment than is commonly used. Page 2, lines 9-11 of the specification read: “To improve the color strength (intensity) of color pigments, the pigment loads for cyan, magenta and yellow are 4% or greater by weight of the weight of the ink.” Accordingly, the use

of the term "about" with respect to the higher limitation of 4.5 is supported by the application as a whole.

Accordingly, reconsideration is respectfully requested, followed by allowance of claims 1 – 19, all of the pending claims.

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